

THE CAPITOL.

WHAT WAS DONE IN THE TWO HOUSES OF CONGRESS.

SENATOR FRAZER'S RESOLUTION TO CHANGE THE HOUR OF MEETING VIGOROUSLY OPPOSED BY THE DEMOCRATS.

Capitol Gossip.

By "CITRON" Special Wire.

Senate.

The Senate to-day passed a bill appropriating \$28,000 to provide and equip a steam vessel for bordering purposes in Chicago.

The action of the Senate in concurring in the House amendment to the bill to provide a public building in Sioux City, was unanimous. The amendment was concurred in and the bill sent to conference.

A resolution was agreed to instruct the Postoffice Committee to inquire into the feasibility and advisability of a law for postal savings banks in connection with all the emergencies of difficulties throughout the country.

Mr. Grimes called up his resolution which provides that hereafter the Senate shall meet at 10 a. m., confine its sessions until 5 p. m., adjourn until 8 and adjourn at 11 p. m.

Mr. Cockrell thought that the hour of 11 o'clock would be preferable to 10 o'clock.

Mr. Plumbe thought it best to try the hour named by his resolution.

Mr. Cockrell succeeded in showing how expedited the business of the Senate was during the last session, when the hour of meeting was 11 a. m.

Mr. Plumbe hoped the resolution would stand as presented.

Mr. Reagan charged that the object of the resolution was to choke off debate on the Elections bill, and to prevent its full, free and fair consideration. He then proceeded at length to point out what he termed the revolutionary character of the Elections bill and earnestly protested against the passage of the resolution.

Mr. Morgan, in arguing against the passage of the resolution, entered into a discussion of the merits of the Elections bill, which, he claimed, above all other measures required free and full discussion.

The Democrats were fully prepared to enter into such discussion; they were all opposed to the Elections bill, not because it was a purely partisan proposition, but because they foresaw that it would violate the Constitution of the United States.

"No measure," he continued, "had been brought in the Senate which so stoutly threatened the equilibrium of our institutions."

He warned his colleagues on the other side of the Chamber that they had better consider the bill freely and debate it thoroughly with the minority, or perhaps some day the doctrines of the bill might be applied to the Senate of the United States.

If the resolution should pass his friends must expect to carry it out. Senator must not desert their post and leave a corporal's guard on picking duty.

Mr. Blair humorously retorted that if the gentlemen on the Democratic side of the chamber desired audiences they should apply their intellectual rather than their physical force. "Be some body in the line of oratory," he said, "speak up, and you will always get an audience."

Mr. Blair, in conclusion, urged himself "the Wage-Workers' Political Alliance of the United States of America that is and of the United States of America that is to be" for the past year been flouting Congress, particularly the Senate, perhaps because the Senators are more easily persuaded by flattering tributes to their greatness than the Representatives, who more readily recognize their real stature, being amenable to the people every two years instead of six, with petitions as innumerable as they are idiotic. The latest came this morning and was presented by Mrs. Cockrell of Missouri, who had no more sense and hard-headed Senator, though an ever-vigorous gentleman.

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to relieve the present stringency in the money market caused by the contraction of the currency.

Both measures have been advocated by John Sherman, the tax on national bank circulation now imposed by the Government it is proposed in the latter bill to turn over to the State.

NOT A CANDIDATE.

REPRESENTATIVE FRAZER WILL NOT COMPETE FOR THE ODD-GOOD REPUBLICAN.

Representative Tom Grimes, representing the famous old Muscogee district of Georgia, arrived in the city last night and was an attentive listener at the morning prayer by the blind chaplain.

Mr. Grimes has been detained at home in court for the defense in the famous Howard-Dawson homicide case which occurred a few weeks ago at the Chautauqua Fair at Columbus, Ga.

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WILL FIGHT THE BILL.

THE "EIGHT TICKETS FOR A QUARTER" MEASURE WILL BE ANTAGONIZED.

The sweeping bill governing the street car companies of this town which passed the House last Monday, and which will soon receive the attention of the Senate Committee on the District of Columbia, will probably be amended before it is reported to the Senate. At least, that is the intention of the assistants to Mr. Dillon, the railroad attorney, and will locate as such in New York at a salary of \$10,000 a year.

CAPITOL NOTES.

Both Judge Murray and Mr. Vowles, both of whom are of the Tammany Hall people, though not members of that organization, would be a big stroke of policy if Tammany Hall should send John Quinn to Congress.

ARTISTS & PAINTERS.

THE President sent to the Senate today the following nominations: Postmasters (new appointments)—Charles P. Andrews, at Great Falls, N. H.; E. Barrett, at Keene, N. H.; Edwin G. Merrill, Winchendon, Mass.; Charles E. Woods, at Danversport, Conn.; Joseph A. Thompson, at North Haven, Conn.; Frank H. Button, Worcester; Jerry Cray, Sheshield, Pa.; Philip Gerhard, Orangeburg, C. H. S.; James H. C. Barstow, Cambridge, Md.; C. C. Barnes, Bowdoin, Ga.; Wm. M. Duncan, Jordan, Cuthbert, Ga.; Samuel Daniel Marion, Marion, Ia.; Thaddeus W. Faucher, Lorain, Ohio; Leonard H. Hunt, Lowell, Mich.; Henry C. Culton, Joliet, Ill.; Joseph B. Prince, Hardsburg, Pa.; Christian Rippy, West Point, N. Y.

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